Subject: Animal Testing

Date: Tuesday, October 12, 2004 10:58 PM

From: tatubeautiful@juno.com <tatubeautiful@juno.com>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Animal testing is a cruel and extremely inhumane thing to do to our beloved animal friends. Please stop the animal testing immediately...I am certain that if you personally were in the position that these animals are you would be suffering immensely. Please learn to develop a conscience and stop the animal suffering!!!

Sincerely, Pamela Kinder

Subject: Stop animal testing!

Date: Tuesday, October 12, 2004 10:54 PM **From:** Monika <krazyutensil@netscape.net>

To: <olden@niehs.nih.gov>, <masten@niehs.nih.gov>, Peta Streat team <

Streetteam@peta.org>

Hello

Im emailing you to please pull the plug on all animal testing! Its mean, cruel and pointless! Animals arent test tubes with fur and whiskers for your desposil!

Subject: testing on animals

Date: Tuesday, October 12, 2004 9:42 PM

From: Nancy Shinn <nancy_shinn@yahoo.com>

To: <olden@niehs.nih.gov> **Cc:** <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

October 12, 2004

Dear Mr. Olden and Masten:

Please please don't poison animals again this year! We realize we have no power to stop you but you are using our tax dollars in crude and outdated testing for chemical toxicity on animals causing needless misery and suffering. It is so horrible to have people nominate chemicals to test on little animals. Do you get the names and addresses of these sadists? Do you enjoy reading the results of the suffering caused by turpentine and antifreeze? Is that why you test them yearly? This is insane! And it spells death for many thousands of little animals. Where is your compassion? Where is your mind? The Food and Drug Administration nominated Di-(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate (a chemical used in plastic IV bags) for studies of reproductive, immune, and other effects that would involve injection of the substance into newborn male rats and nonhuman primates.

The Environmental Protection Agency nominated superfluorinated compounds despite the fact that human and animal toxicity data are already available for these chemicals. Also suggested is the dietary supplement bitter orange extract undergo subchronic toxicity studies (which means force-feeding the substance to animals every day for three to six months), as well as testing for metabolic and cardiovascular responses and birth defects in animals. How cruel and stupid.

Animals are not test tubes with whiskers. We demand that you not waste our hard-earned tax dollars on useless irrelevant and repetitive animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.

Very sincerely yours,

Nancy & George Shinn Ellen and Frank Cassianna Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Quinn

Barbara & John MacKay

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Subject: Outdated and Cruel Tests on Newborn Primates

Date: Tuesday, October 12, 2004 8:53 PM **From:** Jackie Kuhn <cielitos4@yahoo.com>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Dr. Masten: Please do not make the little babies suffer by subjecting them to these tests.

Thank you.

jackie Kuhn 1766 Maryland St. Redwood City, CA 94061-3206

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Subject: Exijo el cese de ensayos con productos venenosos en primates recié& #3657;n nacidos

Date: Tuesday, October 12, 2004 8:21 PM **From:** .: Marce :. <paloentoological complex paloentoological paloentoological properties of the paloentoological pa

To: <olden@niehs.nih.gov>

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Subject: why don't you test on people Date: Tuesday, October 12, 2004 7:51 PM

From: Sarahbergstrom78@aol.com

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Subject: Animal Cruelty

Date: Tuesday, October 12, 2004 7:01 PM **From:** Ruth Springer <rspringe@casstel.net>

To: "Masten, Scott (NIH/NIEHS)" <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Ask the NTP to Pull the Plug on Poisoning Tests on Newborn Primates

Your letter is needed by October 19, 2004!

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True to form, the NTP's latest testing recommendations spell suffering and death to many thousands of animals:

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Your voice can make a difference for animals! Please take a few moments today to politely remind the NTP that animals are not test tubes with whiskers, and demand that it pull the plug on the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination:

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Biological Science Advisor
People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals
StopAnimalTests.com

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Subject: Animal tests recommended by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination

Date: Tuesday, October 12, 2004 6:07 PM

From: maria wirtz <maria_bettina@yahoo.com>

To: <olden@niehs.nih.gov>, <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Dr. Olden, Director of National Toxicology Program and Dr. Scott Masten, Office of Chemical Nomination and Selection:

Do not proceed with the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination. The National Toxicology Program's (NTP) latest testing recommendations are as follows:

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These tests lead to suffering and death to many thousands of animals. In the past, the NTP tested extracts that were used without harm for generations as dietary supplements (e.g., grapeseed and pine bark extracts). In addition, the NTP proposed to retest such well-known hazardous substances as turpentine and antifreeze. And these are my tax dollars at work?

The recommendations in June call for an extensive study of "perfluorinated compounds", including cancer and reproduction testing, on the basis of "presumed" widespread human exposure, despite the fact that large amounts of human and animal toxicity data are already available for these chemicals. We know they're cancer-causing. We know already!

We are human, and are supposed to be the most intelligent animal on this planet, but we can't figure out an alternative testing procedures to these barbaric practices that the NTP uses (as well as other agencies)? **Do not proceed with the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical**

Evaluation and Coordination. There have to be more humane alternatives, and frankly, better uses for my tax dollars.

Sincerely,

Maria Wirtz

25145 Rodeo Flat Road

Auburn, CA 95602

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Subject: Animal Tests

Date: Tuesday, October 12, 2004 5:52 PM

From: Audrey Leonard Salaki <leonardaudrey@hotmail.com>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

To Whom It May Concern:

Please do not allow the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination. Animals have lives, thoughts and emotions. They are not ours to test on. Their lives are not ours to ruin. Humans need to use their power to protect the innocent, not to exploit them. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely, Audrey Salaki

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Subject: Pull the Plug on Poisoning Tests on Newborn Primates

Date: Tuesday, October 12, 2004 4:52 PM **From:** ryan trammell <rytram@go.com>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>, <olden@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Dr Olden and Dr Masten,

I am writing in the hope that you will discontinue poisoning newborn primates for crude and outdated toxicity tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.

Thank You,

Ryan Trammell

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Subject: Please Stop the Animal Testing
Date: Tuesday, October 12, 2004 12:37 PM
From: Edward Wagner <ewagner@fi.edu>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Hello,

I am writing today to ask you to stop the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination. Remember, animals are not test tubes with whiskers - we should care about them.

Regards, Ed

Subject: tests

Date: Tuesday, October 12, 2004 2:51 PM

From: Trachtenberg, Bonnie, Bookspan <bonnie.trachtenberg@bookspan.com>

To: <olden@niehs.nih.gov>, <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Drs. Olden and Masten:

How can you have so little regard for innocent life? The animals you test your poison on are loving, feeling creatures who would never do you or anyone else any harm. How can you rationalize sacrificing them against their will in the name of science? The argument that you are saving human life is not a reason. It's an excuse. Put yourself in their place for once. We are all God's creatures. How dare you victimize the powerless ones just because you can. That is what Nazi's did to other humans after rendering them powerless. Animals are not of lesser importance than humans. And they rely on our good grace to take care of them.

Stop these barbaric tests! Maybe you'll even sleep better knowing you've stopped the suffering of so many innocent, beautiful lives.

Bonnie Trachtenberg

Subject: Stop Poisoning Tests on Newborn Primates

Date: Tuesday, October 12, 2004 2:40 PM

From: susan m <susanandpeter@theriver.com>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

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Animals test tubes with whiskers, and as a tax payer I strongly request that the NTP stop the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.

Thank you for stopping this unnecessary and cruel program. Susan Moran

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To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

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Regards, Ed

Subject: Help!

Date: Tuesday, October 12, 2004 12:40 PM **From:** Carole Sullivan <ruhe@comcast.net>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Please do not use animals for toxic testing, You cooperation is urgently needed to help those who can't help themselves.

Thank you, Carole Sullivan

Subject: Stop the testing

Date: Tuesday, October 12, 2004 11:04 AM **From:** Deb Ward <deb@signaturegofer.com>

Reply-To: <deb@signaturegofer.com>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Please stop testing on helpless animals, there has to be another way.

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Subject: <no subject>

Date: Tuesday, October 12, 2004 10:21 AM **From:** canyon stars <canyonstars@yahoo.com>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dr. Masten,

Please do not conduct animal tests recommended by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.

Animals should not suffer for your experiments.

Thank you

H. Wren

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Subject: testing performed on animals

Date: Tuesday, October 12, 2004 9:42 AM

From: Britta Lang <lang.britta@gmx.de>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Dr. Masten,

Each year the National Toxicology Program spends millions of US tax dollars to poison animals in cruel and outdated tests of chemical toxicity. Furthermore, the NTP encourages people to nominate chemicals that they would like to see tested on animals. As you know, this has lead to a list of testing recommendations including proposals of tests of plant extracts which have been used without harm for centuries and furthermore, proposals to retest substances which are already known to be hazardous. This means that in the tests for these substances animals will suffer needlessly, as it is already well proven that these substance are or are not hazardous. It has furthermore been proven that tests on animals are not as save as widely believed, and that much more secure, easier and also cheaper methods of testing exist.

Therefore I feel that it my duty to politely remind you that animals are not test tubes but that they, just like humans, feel pain and fear. Therefore they suffer cruely and needlessly due to toxicity testing. Because of these undeniable facts I urge you to consider using the alternative methods of testing. Moreover I demand that you stop the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.

Best Regards,

Britta Lang

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Subject: <no subject>

Date: Tuesday, October 12, 2004 3:10 AM

From: meats_no_treat_4_those_u_eat@comcast.net

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Dr. Scott Masten,

The NTP,s latest testing recommendations spell suffering and death to many thousands of animals:

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Animals are not test tubes with whiskers. I implor you to pull the plug on the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.

Thankyou,

Heather Williams

Subject: primates are similar to humans.

Date: Tuesday, October 12, 2004 12:57 AM

From: Victoria H. <victoria@outgun.com>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Primates are similar to humans, so please use careful discretion when assigning them to experiments!

I would hate to think that any animal in your care was subjected to suffering or pain, for any purpose that could not be achieved by other means.

I am not especially religious, but I do believe that these are God's creatures, with exceptional intelligence and a capacity to connect with humans. Primates, definitely. Yes, even the Howler monkeys. And dogs and cats and...

Victoria Haggstrom

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Subject: NTP rcommended animal testing Date: Tuesday, October 12, 2004 12:43 AM

From: Suzanne & Scott Young <sueandscott@rcn.com>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Dr. Masten:

I urge you not to proceed with the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation.

How can a society call itself civilized when it condones useless, misleading, frivolous, redundant and unnecessary chemical testing which causes horrible suffering and deaths of animals which feel pain and misery just like we, as human animals do? How can you look into the eyes of the animals you torture and feel no empathy? Scientists must have a conscience and not treat other non-human beings as if they are just more pieces of laboratory equipment. It is ironic that we test on animals because they are so much like us, but refuse to consider their suffering.

Please stop and think humanely and compassionately, please do not consider animals as disposable, and please remember that you are using taxpayer dollars.

Just because we can, does not mean it is right, and that we should.

Very sincerely, Suzanne S, Young 009 6 2004

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DEAR DR. MASTEN,

I WRITE YOU TODAY AFTER LEARNING OF
THE DIABOUC USE OF MY TAX DOLLARS TO
CONDUCT NEEDLESS & CRUET ANIMAL TESTS.
I WRITE YOU WITH THE PLEA THAT
YOU PLEASE NOT GO FORWARD WITH
PLANNED ANIMAL TESTS RECOMMENDED IN
JUNE BY THE NTP INTERACENCY COMMITTEE
FOR CHEMICAL EVALUATION & COORDINATION.

I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT PURPOSE IT SERVES TO REPEAT TESTS WITH A SOUD BODY OF DATA ALREADY ON HAND. WHAT CRUEL TWIST IN OUR BUREAUCRACY ALLOWS US TO MAIM & KILL ANIMALS?

I ASK YOU IN THE MOST HEARTFELT WAY POSSIBLE TO STOP PERFORMUNG THESE TESTS & TO THOROUGHLY RE-EVALUATE THE PROCESS BY WHICH THE NTP SELECTS WHICH CHESTO TEST.

SINCEPELY, MEREDITH YEARY

October 1, 2004

Dr. Scott Masten
Office of Chemical Nomination and Selection
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National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences
P.O. Box 12233, MD A3-07
Research Triangle Park, NC 27709

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Dear Mr. Masten,

My name is Rachel Humphrey. I am writing this letter to call your attention to the matter of some disturbing news that has been brought to my attention. I am sure you are well aware of this news but let me bring you up to speed if you are not familiar with what I am talking about.

Each year, the National Toxicology Program (NTP) spends millions of tax dollars to poison animals in crude and outdated tests of chemical toxicity. What's worse is that the NTP actively encourages people to nominate chemicals they would like to see tested on animals. This has led to a veritable laundry list of ill-conceived NTP testing recommendations, including proposals to conduct extensive animal testing of plant extracts that have been used without harm for generations as dietary supplements (e.g., grapeseed and pine bark extracts), as well as proposals to retest such well-known hazardous substances as turpentine and antifreeze.

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I find this to be very cruel and unfair to the many animals that are "volunteered" as test projects. Please keep in mind that animals are just like humans, they feel and bleed as we do. They hurt and have families to go back to as well. They are not test tubes with

whiskers. I urge you to pull the plug on the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination. Please do the right thing for animals and for people worldwide. I am sure you will. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,

Rachel E. Humphrey Rachel E. Humphrey 935 Brantley Drive

Knoxville, TN 37923

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To: <martinez22@11nl.gov>

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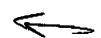
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Thank you for helping animals,

Wednesday, October 6, 2004

Dr. Kenneth Olden, Director National Toxicology Program National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences P.O. Box 12233, MD B2-01 Research Triangle Park, NC 27709 Record 10/12/04

Dear Mr. Olden:

I am writing to ask that you please pull the plug on the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.

Thank you for your urgency in this matter.

Sincerely,

M. Maywr Mindy Mayers Educator.

The Woodlands, Texas

Cc:

Dr. Scott Masten
Office of Chemical Nomination and Selection
National Toxicology Program
National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences
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Dr. Scott Masten
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National Toxicology Program
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PO Box 12233, MD A3-07
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Dear Dr. Olden,

We are concerned with the Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination's recommendations to test Di-(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate, perfluorinated compounds, and bitter orange extract on rats, primates, and other animals.

It is a worthy objective to evaluate these compounds for human safety and efficacy, but this aim can not be achieved if these chemicals are tested on animals. Injecting and force-feeding animals is cruel in itself, but all the more malicious since the test results can not be accurately applied to humans. Animal experiments are a painful waste of time and taxpayer money.

Please encourage your agency to test these compounds for human safety by using human-based test methods, such as human blood, tissue and cell cultures, biochemistry, and clinical research, and to utilize existing research on these chemicals. The replacement of animals will ensure not only a humane research protocol, but more accurate and safe test results.

We appreciate your time and look forward to your response to our concerns.

Sincerely, Townylor Tara Naylor Dr. Masten,

As I am sure you are aware each year, the National Toxicology Program (NTP) spends millions of tax dollars to poison animals in crude and outdated tests of chemical toxicity. What's worse is that the NTP actively encourages people to nominate chemicals that they would like to see tested on animals. C'mon doctor this is crazy and cruel. And I have heard that this has led to a veritable laundry list of ill-conceived NTP testing recommendations, including proposals to conduct extensive animal testing of plant extracts that have been used without harm for generations as dietary supplements (e.g., grapeseed and pine bark extracts), as well as proposals to retest such well-known hazardous substances as turpentine and antifreeze.

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Dr. Masten please don't let this inhumane treatment of these innocent animals go on. You have the power to stop the suffering and I write you today to beg for your help. Thank you and God Bless.

Sincerely,

Chris Rice

Barbara M. Southworth 7 Westridge Drive Hampton, NH 03842

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*A "private individual" recommended that the dietary supplement "bitter orange extract" undergo "subchronic" toxicity studies (which means force-feeding the substance to animals every day for three to six months), as well as testing for metabolic and cardiovascular responses and birth defects in animals.

I therefore kindly urge you to pull the plug on animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination. Animals are <u>not</u> test tubes with whiskers and deserve better! Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Yours Sincerely,

Barbara M. Southworth

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October 8, 2004

Dear Dr. Masten,

I am writing you today to ask the NTP to pull the plug on poisoning tests on newborn primates.

Each year, the National Toxicology Program (NTP) spends millions of tax dollars to poison animals in crude and outdated tests of chemical toxicity. What's worse is that the NTP actively encourages people to nominate chemicals that they would like to see tested on animals. This has led to a veritable laundry list of ill-conceived NTP testing recommendations, including proposals to conduct extensive animal testing of plant extracts that have been used without harm for generations as dietary supplements (e.g., grape seed and pine bark extracts), as well as proposals to retest such well-known hazardous substances as turpentine and antifreeze.

True to form, the NTP's latest testing recommendations spell suffering and death to many thousands of animals:

- The Food and Drug Administration nominated Di-(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate (a chemical used in plastic IV bags) for studies of reproductive, immune, and other effects that would involve injection of the substance into newborn male rats and nonhuman primates.
- The Environmental Protection Agency nominated "perfluorinated compounds" for extensive study, including cancer and reproduction testing, on the basis of "presumed" widespread human exposure, despite the fact that large amounts of human and animal toxicity data are already available for these chemicals.
- A "private individual" recommended that the dietary supplement "bitter orange extract" undergo "subchronic" toxicity studies (which means force-feeding the substance to animals every day for three to six months), as well as testing for metabolic and cardiovascular responses and birth defects in animals.

Please!! Animals are not test tubes with whiskers, and I would politely demand that you pull the plug on the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination: This is a waste of millions of dollars and also animals' lives.

I will be awaiting your comments.

Sincerely,

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Randy Harrison 6711 N. 12th Street Phoenix, AZ 85014

Record 10/12/04

Dr. Masten-

My name is Alana Gage, I am 21 years old and am a biology and pre-veterinary student in Miami, Florida. I am writing to ask you kindly to stop the poisoning tests you have decided to perform.

You know as well as I do that the "perfluorinated compounds" the EPA has asked to have studied extensively already has large amounts of human and animal toxicity data available. Why would you want to conduct these tests again if the data is already there? Why cause more animal suffering if it is completely unnecessary?

I also learned that the EPA has nominated Di(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate for studies of reproductive, immune, and other effects that would involve injection of the substance into newborn nonhuman primates. Do you know, Dr. Masten, how similar these animals are to us? Can you really say that they feel no pain and go ahead with these tests with a clear conscious?

The last point I would like to make is the following – I saw that an individual recommended the dietary supplement bitter orange extract to be tested in subchronic toxicity studies. This envolves force feeding animals this substance every day for three to six months. Why would you encourage people to nominate chemicals they would like to see tested on animals? What does this individual know about these tests?

I thank you for reading my letter and hope my appeal does not fall on deaf ears.

Sincerely,

Alaná S. Gage

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October 5, 2004

Dr. Scott Masten
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PO Box 12233, MD A3-07
Research Triangle Park, NC 27709

Aloha Dr. Masten,

I am writing to protest the waste of my tax dollars to poison animals in crude and outdated tests of chemical toxicity. The testing is inhumane and the fact that such an advanced country such as ours, stoops to these tortuous actions. Please end this disgusting practice and step into the 21st century.

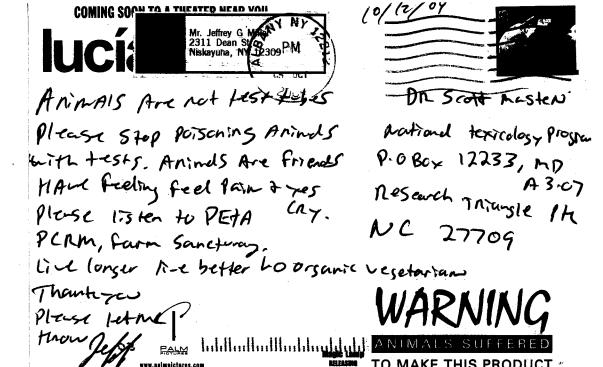
"The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be judged by the way its animals are treated. I hold that the more helpless a creature, the more entitled it is to protection by man from the cruelty of man."

Mahatma Gandhi

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Rita G. Place



October 7, 2004

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Dr. Scott Masten
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To Whom it may concern:

I recently read an article regarding the NTP and how the "NTP spends millions of tax dollars to poison animals in crude and outdated test of chemical toxicity". It also stated that "NTP's latest testing recommendations will spell suffering and death to may thousands of animals".

I was told that my voice would make a difference for animals, if I took a few moments to politely remind the NTP that animals are not test tubes with whiskers. Please, I demand that NTP pull the plug on the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination!

Thope my voice does make a difference.

Sincerely,

Christina D. Meier Christina D. Meier

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Dr. Scott Masten.

I am writing this letter in reference to your National Toxicology Program. Many of the substances being tested have already been tested, such as perfluorinated compounds. Numerous animals will be subjected to painful and unnecessary testing and this does not outweigh public safety. There are other methods of testing substances that MUST be on the market such as using tissue samples. I request that you especially cease testing on substances for which you already have data. For the other substances, please try to utilize other methods of testing, or simply have the substance removed from the market if it is potentially harmful. These animals deserve to live a life free from physical and emotional pain. I hope you will reconsider your testing program and will consider the welfare of the animals.

Sincerely,

Tracy Doherty

October 8, 2004

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Dear Dr. Masten:

I am writing today to ask you to please pull the plug on the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination. The tests, including those for Di-(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate, perfluorinated compounds and bitter orange extract are absolutely not necessary. Animals are not test tubes with whiskers and should not be subjected to any laboratory testing. These tests, especially, are unnecessary.

Please consider my request, and do not implement these tests.

Sincerely,

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Dr. Masten,

I was recently informed that the National Toxicology Program plans to conduct extensive animal testing of a variety of chemicals. These chemicals include turpentine, antifreeze, Di-(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate, and perfluorinated compounds and others. Clearly, large amounts of human and animal toxicity data are already available for these chemicals. It is also my understanding that the NTP encourages people to nominate chemicals that they would like to see tested on animals. Animals should not be experimented on in such a casual manner. Unnecessary cruel and brutal experimentation on animals is unethical. Furthermore, asking the general public about which chemicals they would like tested is ridiculous, unscientific and outrageous.

It is my hope that you reconsider your current and future experimentation practices. Realize that there are alternatives to using animals in cruel experiments. If data already exists about toxic chemicals, then no further testing should be necessary. Take a minute to realize what these animals must endure during these painful and mutilating experiments. Consider the meaning of the word "humanity" and rise above the savage and selfish practices currently being performed in the name of "research." Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dr. James Byrne